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News Review Closed

The News Review will be closed Monday for the Labor Day holiday. Regular hours resume on Tuesday, Sept. 7. All advertising and editorial copy must be submitted by 10 p.m. on Tuesday in order to be in the Sept. 9 edition.

45th Labor Day Festival Opens Friday Come Rain or Shine

by Kathy James

The Labor Day Festival opens Friday with the Greenbelt Concert Band of Prince George's County and rolls on through the parade Monday morning and stage events Monday afternoon. In between, there are rides, games and sports for all ages, food for all tastes, music and stage events for all preferences, the Miss Greenbelt Pageant for all viewers, and a good time to be had by all. It is the traditional end to summer in Greenbelt - when friends and neighbors catch up with each other and reminisce about old times and past festivals. There will be plenty to do the entire weekend.

What if it Rains?

If raindrops fall from the sky, teardrops need not fall from the eyes! If it's a shower, some acts and events may be delayed until the rain stops, but many events will continue. In the event of a more significant storm or an all-day drenching, stage shows and the Miss Greenbelt Pageant will proceed as scheduled in the gymnasium of the Community Center and Bingo will continue in the multi-purpose room. The craft show will move to the lobby near the Community Center offices to the extent that space allows. Those booths serving food that wish to continue cooking outside will be encouraged to send servers through the halls of the Community Center to continue feeding the crowds inside. If it rains on Saturday, the Pet Show and the Games for Kids will go on as planned. The Information Day tables will be moved to the rehearsal hall across from the multi-purpose room. The photo and art shows will remain open regardless of weather conditions, of course. The information booth for the Festival committee itself will move to the lobby of the Community Center at the junction of the hallways, and committee members will direct festival goers from there.

Souvenir Program Reminder

The festival program will be on sale during the weekend as long as supplies last. It's a professional presentation of the general schedule, and includes special breakouts of the Miss Greenbelt events and of all stage events. It has pictures and information for each of the Miss, Junior Miss and Little Miss Greenbelt contestants, as well as pictures and stories of performers and of past festivals. For a nomial fee, festival planners believe it's a real value that you will want to keep for future reference or send to friends and family who have moved away to help them keep in touch with the Greenbelt spirit.

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Salute to the Recreation Department

The Greenbelt Recreation Department has always been a crucial part of the Labor Day Festival. The Recreation staff quietly and efficiently runs many, many events during Festival weekend. So many of these events have become memory makers and contribute to the success and popularity of the festival. Citizens past and present are often heard reminiscing, "Remember the year our team won tickets to an "O's" game at the scavenger hunt or the year Johnny played in the ping pong tournament. I will never forget that hot Labor Day, when the original "Greenbelt's Finest" team won the softball tournament at Braden Field. Remember when Lisa won a ribbon in the little Big Wheels - she was so proud. Uncle Joe always does so well in the Horseshoe Tournament and how about Joann's shot that was closest to the flag in the Golf Chipping Contest. Wasn't it great to see Gene at the David Craig Memorial Softball Game?"

Highlights of the events that the Recreation Department is hosting for the 1999 Labor Day Festival are:

David Craig Memorial Softball Game – The game, held Friday evening at 7 p.m., is in memory of former Recreation Department employee David Craig. The reunion type atmosphere brings many former Greenbelters back to see old friends and family. (In case of rain the event is canceled)

Home Run Derby – This event is a festival favorite. Registration is Saturday; noon to 12:15 p.m. followed by the contest. There is an entry fee. The winner receives 40% for first place, 10%

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Miss Greenbelt Pageant Continues to Improve

by Konrad Herling

"It's not about winning. It's about accomplishing a goal; taking on challenges you may have been reluctant to take on before." That's how Jamica El expressed her approach to the Miss Greenbelt Pageant. El, who will be a freshman majoring in architecture this fall at Howard University, is one of two dozen young women and girls participating in the Miss Greenbelt Pageant program in this weekend's Labor Day Festival. "What I've learned from the experience is how to stop being so competitive." adds El.

Almost every candidate echoed the same sentiments. Kyna Shaw, Jessamyn Renee Goshorn, Joanna Andrus and Pamela Amihere, all Miss Greenbelt candidates, felt that it'd be great to win, but that the common experiences in modeling, fundraising activities such as car washes (before the water restrictions were in effect), pizza-kit sales and bake sales, and fielding questions in impromptu interviews were truly experiences which bonded the participants closer together.

So, while Heather Buerger, another Miss Greenbelt candidate said that the most difficult aspect was just being "ready to do your best" by the Festival's opening night, Jessica Teets, Junior Miss Greenbelt 1998 recommended that her colleagues "try to have fun and just be yourself."

Presentation

For over two months, the 25 participants have been learning a lot about how presentation makes a difference. And one aspect everyone in attendance will witness is the opening dance performed by the entire group to the musical theme from this summer's action film, "Wild Wild West." And while none of the candidates has been to Carnegie Hall, each one will know that the secret to success is indeed "practice, practice, practice." Shaun Pittman, the programs' dance instructor and choreographer, has been working with the participants every Sunday afternoon during the last two months. Practices have ranged from an hour and forty-five minutes to three hours. Two Sundays ago, Pittman worked with Kyna Shaw, a candidate for "Miss Greenbelt" and her sister Kyara, who is hoping to become "Junior Miss Greenbelt" until seven in the evening on their dance routine for their joint talent portion of the program.

In observing the dance practice a few Sundays ago, I reflected back to days of my Little League coach hitting ground ball after ground ball to me until I had overcome the fear of the ball hitting me, learning to charge the

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City Playground Safety Program May Use Grants, Other Expertise

by Barbara Young

Background

The City of Greenbelt and Greenbelt Homes, Inc. (GHI), and other private owners face the possibility of expenditures in the hundreds of thousands in order to bring their playgrounds up to the standards established in the last few years for safety and access by the handicapped and disabled. Failure to do so could mean high liability for a playground owner.

GHI and the City of Greenbelt have been working together concerning playgrounds scattered throughout the original planned community, of which 12 are on city-owned land and eight are on GHI-owned land. Under a 1987 agreement, the city and GHI agreed to share maintenance, with the city being responsible for equipment on all 20 playgrounds and GHI being responsible for grounds maintenance.

A moratorium on the removal of playground equipment was declared by the city some months ago after residents complained about removal of certain equipment which City Manager Michael McLaughlin said "the city felt we needed to act on right away." He said safety guidelines "are continually being updated, making this something of a moving target." The moratorium is still in effect.

The city was removing slides "where the end of the slide almost touches or touches the ground, unlike safer slides which flatten out to slow the rider down and allow a child to exit as if from a chair," McLaughlin explained. The city also altered swing sets to ensure the recommended space between swings and between a swing and support pole as well as to ensure that "toddler" and "regular" swings were not placed together.

GHI Consultants' Report

Late last year GHI hired consultants Human and Rhode, Inc. of Towson, Md. to inspect and report on the playgrounds on land titled to GHI. The consultants' report, dated January 8, identified the most serious problems as a need for protective surfacing under and around all equipment, "pinch and crush" points as in bolts with sharp edges on benches, head entrapment and strangulation issues, and lead and chipped paint. Each GHI playground was inspected and evaluated, after which separate cost estimates were prepared for (a) improvements in accord with safety, and (b) alterations to ensure Americans with Disability Act accessibility and other guidelines.

Average cost for each GHI playground was in the range of $17,980 to $21,020 for basic renovations plus $6,700 to $7,000 to ensure ADA compliance. The

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What Goes On

Fri., Sept. 3 - Mon., Sept. 6, Labor Day Festival, including parade Monday at 10 a.m.

Thurs., Sept. 9, 7:30 p.m., GHI Board meeting, Hamilton Place

GATE "Greenbelt in Focus" Showcases Konrad Herling

by Sabine Hentrich

Konrad Herling's television program "Greenbelt in Focus" has been running since 1989, the year Herling joined Greenbelt Access Television (GATE). "Green-belt in Focus" has interviewed contestants for the Miss Greenbelt Labor Day Festival pageants. Additionally, Herling's show will cover several New Year's Eve Festival activities.

"Greenbelt at Work" will be Herling's next project. During this television series, he will introduce Greenbelt residents in and around their job environment. Interviewing members of the Greenbelt police department, speaking with people at NASA, or chatting with commuters on the Metro about the significance of working in the nation's capital could all be parts of this program.

"Greenbelt has around 300 volunteers. It is a city rich in community spirit," says Herling, who is both board member and secretary of GATE, and also volunteers for the Greenbelt Arts Center, the New Year's Eve Program Committee, and occasionally for the Greenbelt News Review. GATE, claims Herling, provides excellent volunteer opportunities to someone with an interest in television — behind or in front of the camera.

When Herling became a board member, he saw GATE as "an open door to express opinions on television ... a great addition to the Greenbelt News Review." Particularly since local television was new in Greenbelt at the end



Konrad Harling

of the 1980s, Herling thought that he could attract young residents to volunteer in the community. Thus, "Greenbelt in Focus" started out covering youth events, such as Little League sports.

In 1991, Herling produced "Greenbelt 20770," a show with children aged 10 through 14. Contrary to the title's implication, the program was not modeled after "Beverly Hills 90210." Instead, the children learned how to write

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Letters to the Editor

Open Letter

To Dr. Iris T. Metts, Superintendent, Prince George's County Public Schools:

I was sorry to learn of the Board of Education's decision to withhold funding for the Greenbelt Elementary School After School Program. This innovative and successful program provided a viable option for aftercare students that greatly enhanced their performance in the classroom. The program focused less on a typical babysitting service and more on enrichment programs geared toward drug education, counseling, and crisis management. Homework help was provided daily and many of the participating students made the honor roll when they had never done so before.

I urge you to reconsider the decision to close this center. It has provided a safe haven for these children in an area where it is desperately needed. In advance, thank you for your consideration of this request. I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Leo Green, State Senator
23rd District of Maryland

Recreation Review

The Recreation Department is currently accepting registration for it's exciting schedule of fall classes (except aquatic and fitness center classes). Get motivated and register now to learn a new skill, participate in a fitness class or create a new social outlet. Please register early - space is limited in many offerings. Most classes are scheduled to begin the week of September 12. For additional information, contact 301 397-2200.

Local Aerofair Needs Volunteers

The College Park Airport and Aviation Museum are looking for volunteers to help run this year's Aerofair, September 25 and 26, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. each day. Volunteers must be at least 15 years old. Volunteers will be needed outside all day and will sell tickets, pass out brochures, help with parking, work the first aid station, run children's games and many other tasks. Volunteers will be fed breakfast and lunch, and will be able to earn a 1999 Aerofair T-shirt. Teens can earn Student Service Learning Hours. Call the volunteer coordinator at 301-864-3814, 301-864-4765 TTY at the museum for more information and to sign up.

Thanks

My family and I wish to thank the many Greenbelters who expressed their sympathy on the occasion of my mother's recent death. She loved the spirit of Greenbelt when she visited my adopted hometown and often agreed with me that it is "the best hometown around." I am deeply grateful for all of your kind thoughts.

Judith "J" Davis

Untraveled

I am writing concerning the Greenbelt Municipal/Public Access TV channel B-10.

I think it is great that we have a channel to keep us informed about local matters. What I do NOT think is so great, is that Jones Communications decided to use the same B-10 channel for its Travel Channel. Even this would be tolerable if Greenbelt citizens were given an opportunity to choose which of the two they desired; though of course they should NOT have to choose.

I have written to Jones Communication about this and I received no response at all. We pay the same fees as the rest of Prince George's County but unlike them we cannot view the Travel Channel.

Charles Hottel

Editor's Note: According to Karmen Bailey of Jones Communications, the Travel Channel is shown on Channel B-10 in the unincorporated areas of the northern county where the channel is not being used by municipalities such as is the case in Greenbelt.

Spiegal Tells Stories

Storyteller extraordinaire Marc Spiegal will tell his interesting stories from around the world at the Greenbelt Community Center on September 4 at 2 p.m.

Five Pick Up Papers For City Council

As of press time, no City Council candidates had filed. However, potential candidates – persons picking up candidate packets are: Kelby Brick, Judith Davis, Edward Putens, Rodney Roberts and Thomas White.

Candidate paperwork must be turned in by close of business on September 20.

The city election will be held on Tuesday, November 2. City residents are reminded that to participate, whether as a voter, a candidate or signer of a petition, they must be registered with Prince George's County.

Forms are available from the Municipal Building, Greenbelt Library, or by calling the Board of Elections at 301-627-2814. All registration forms must be received by the Board in Upper Marlboro before 4 p.m. Monday, October 4.

Greenbelt Metro Area Planning Group Meets

The Greenbelt Metro Area Sector Planning Group will hold its fourth text review meeting on Wednesday, September 15 from 7 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.. The meeting will be held at the Community Center, 15 Crescent Road in the multipurpose room on the second floor.

Corrections

In the City Council story in last week's paper an error was made concerning the additional contribution the city would make to employees' retirement. The correct amount is 4/10 percent.

The wrong date and time were given for the seminar in the Chancellor Gardens ad in last week's paper. The correct date is Monday, September 13, noon to 2 p.m.

The News Review regrets the errors.

The Old Curmudgeon



"I've won first prize in the Mr. Uncongeniality pageant at the Labor Day Festival!"

OFFICIAL NOTICE

The Board of Elections is seeking residents who would be willing to serve as election clerks on November 2, 1999 from 6:00 a.m. to about 9:00 p.m. There will be a training session to attend also, on November 1st at 7:30 p.m. for about 1-1/2 hours.

This is a rewarding experience for anyone interested in the political process who would like to make a contribution to his or her community. The salary is $135 but the satisfaction of participation in our local election is even more rewarding.

Please visit the city offices to submit an application, or call me at 301-474-8000.

David E. Moran
City Clerk

OFFICIAL NOTICE
IMPORTANT DATES RELATING TO 1999 CITY COUNCIL ELECTION

Last day to file nomination petition	9/20/99
Date of drawing for placement on ballot	9/21/99
Last day to register to vote (must be received by 4:00 p.m. in Upper Marlboro)	10/4/99
First day to vote adsentee ballot	10/13/99
First campaign contribution reports due from candidates	10/18/99
Final date to obtain absentee ballot (b y noon)	11/1/99
Election (7:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.)	11/2/99
Final campaign contribution reports due by 5:00 p.m.	11/8/99
Charter meeting of new City Council - 7:30 p.m.	11/8/99

David Moran
City Clerk

City of Greenbelt
COMMUNITY MEDIATION BOARD

The City of Greenbelt has re-established a Community Mediation Board under the auspices of the Prince George's County Human Relations Commission. This Board is comprised of city residents who have volunteered to receive mediation training and be available to mediate disputes between neighbors.

Mediation consists of a step by step problem solving process that results in the involved parties agreeing on a fair solution. Mediation serves as an alternative to litigation and brings both parties to the table on an equal basis. A mediator does not act as an advocate of either party. He/she reserves judgment and does not voice opinion.

Types of problems mediated may be noisy neighbors, barking dogs, trespassing children, blocked driveways, family feuds, littering, loitering, neighboring property neglect, small claims matters, etc.

Mediation services will be available at the Greenbelt Community Center on the second Tuesday and fourth Wednesday of each month. Any Greenbelt citizen who wishes to make use of this free service should call the Human Resources Officer, City of Greenbelt, 301-345-7203.

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DEADLINES: Letters, articles and ads—10 p.m. Tuesday. Materials for publication may be mailed to address above, deposited in our box in the Co-op grocery store (by 7 p.m. Tuesday) or brought to our office in the Community Center 15 Crescent Road during office hours. Mail subscriptions—$32/year.

Greenbelt Community Center at 15 Crescent Rd.
OFFICE HOURS: **Monday** 2 - 4 p.m., 8 - 10 p.m., **Tuesday** 8 - 10 p.m.

Golden Age Club

by Ruth Huggins

At the August 25 meeting Vice President Joe Wilkinson announced that the Lions Club Eye Mobile will offer free eye exams and again this year will sponsor the Best Decorated Bike and Trike contest at the Labor Day Festival.

Herb Siegel announced the NASA Players will perform Damn Yankees Sept. 14 and 15. See Siegel at the next meeting for free tickets to the dress rehearsal.

President Bill Souser welcomed visitor Mary Breco.

The guest speaker was Julie Green, with a horticultural degree from the University of Maryland. Green and three city park rangers — Chris Cherry, Chrissy O'Hagen and Troy Platter — monitor Buddy Attick Park and playground areas throughout Greenbelt. Their shifts are from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., seven days a week. Visitors will see them riding their bikes or on foot. City park rangers are sponsoring a series of four Saturday educational programs for 12 to 15-year-olds beginning Sept. 18.

The Golden Age Club's monthly board/business meeting was held on Wednesday, Sept. 1. The next meeting, on Wednesday, Sept. 8, will feature a video on Jerusalem.

To See or Not to See That Is the Question

by Sheilah Crossley-Cox

Ever wondered why hundreds of English women, men, and children crowded into the space in front of the stage to watch the rousing players of the Globe? These rowdy enthusiasts were called the groundlings. In those days, a play lasted four or even five hours! Well, the answer lies in two major selling points: sex and violence. Oh yes....in the 17th century there was just as much of both appealing ingredients in Shakespeare's plays as can be found on Channel 9, 7, or cable TV. Men seduced women, men fought bloody duels, and bright, unusual women disguised themselves as men to win arguments, fortunes, or the love of men.

At 2 p.m. on sunny Sunday afternoons on Sept. 5, 12, and 19, the Greenbelt Arts Center will present a sampling of Shakespeare's scenes. Audiences can witness everything from Hamlet's speech to the players and the balcony scene in Romeo and Juliet to the psychological anguish of MacBeth as he struggles to nerve himself to kill the good King Duncan. These are breathtaking fight scenes and disarming comedy. What's more the price is just right for everyone's budget: it's free! In order to thank Greenbelt residents for providing such an impressive turn-out for the Comedy of Errors in January 1999 (there were 128 people in the audience on the last night while nearly 1,000 saw the show during the entire run) and for their patronage throughout the season, all are invited to bring a picnic lunch and enjoy themselves while watching the bard. Believe it or not, Shakespeare can be delectable! Don't miss this opportunity to enjoy free entertainment on September 5 at the Labor Day Festival, and on September 12 and 19 near the parking lot and lake in Buddy Attick Park for the performance dates of Shakespeare on the Green '99.

Community Events

At The Library

Monday, September 6

Libraries Closed

Children's Programs

Tuesday, September 7, 7 p.m. P.J. Storytime for ages 4-6.

Wednesday, September 8, 3:30 p.m. BooKids Discussion Group for ages 8-12.

Thursday, September 9, 10:15 a.m. Drop-In Storytime for ages 3-5.

Adult Programs

Saturday, September 11 at 10:30 a.m. Poetry Plus. A reading and discussion group for adults.

Air Force Band At Greenbelt Park

Bring a lawn chair or blanket to hear the sounds of Silver Wings, the concert band of the U.S. Air Force on Saturday, September 11 at 2 p.m. in Greenbelt Park. The free concert will be held in the Sweetgum picnic area. The concert will be cancelled in case of inclement weather. For information or directions, call 301-344-3944.

Spanish Classes Resume at Mowatt

Mowatt Methodist Church will resume Spanish classes, at the church, 40 Ridge Road, Saturday, September 11, between 1 and 3 p.m. Classes will run for six weeks and are free for anyone wishing to attend. For more information call 301-345-4186.

Recreational Vehicle Video at Grblt. Park

A video highlighting the history and recent popularity of the recreational vehicle will be shown at 9 a.m. on Saturday, September 4 at the Ranger Station located near the Greenbelt Park campground area.

For directions or more information, please call 301-344-3944.

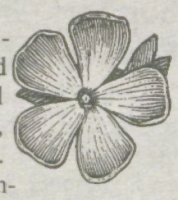
Movie of the Month

The movie of the month at the Community Center will be shown on Monday, September 13 in the senior classroom at 1 p.m.

The film "Picnic" is a screen version of William Inge's Pulitzer Prize winner with a cast of William Holden, Kim Novak, Rosalind Russell and other big names.

Holden plays a down-at-the-heels drifter who looks up an old college friend and then falls for his girlfriend.

Garden Club To Meet



The Greenbelt Home and Garden Club will meet on Tuesday, Sept. 7, at 7 p.m. in the Media Center at Greenbelt Elementary School, 66 Ridge Road. The featured speaker will be Shirley Nicholai from the Landscape Design Critics Council. Her topic will be xeriscaping – dry landscaping. All are welcome.

News Review Online

The News Review is now available online at <www.newsreview.com>. If there is an account which has established credit, it may submit ads. Print out the ad registration form, fill it out neatly and mail it to the News Review, 15 Crescent Road, Suite 100, Greenbelt MD, 20770. A bill will be sent. Alternatively, ads and stories may be emailed to newsreview@greenbelt.com or faxed to 301-474-5880.

If there is no account, send the appropriate fee together with the completed ad registration form.

The system was designed by Tim Farris and Alex Segarro.

Healthy Eating Tips For Those on the Go

Ever feel that life is so busy that there is never time to organize and plan healthy meals? Identify strategies and tips for healthy eating on the go at this free, informative seminar presented by the Maryland Cooperative Extension Service and sponsored by the Greenbelt Co-op Supermarket/Pharmacy. Meet at the Community Center on Tuesday, Sept. 7, from 7 - 8 p.m. Light refreshments will be served and there will be a chance to win a door prize. October's seminar will be about food and drug interactions. For questions, call the Co-op at 301-474-0522.

Greenbelt Food Co-op Announces Elections

The Greenbelt Consumer Cooperative will hold elections for three positions on the board of directors. Candidates will be presented and voting will take place at the cooperative's annual meeting on October 30 at the Green-belt Community Center.

Any member of the Co-op may be nominated for a position on the board. Those interested need to fill out a nomination form, available from the cooperative's office, and obtain signatures of at least five members who support their candidacy. The completed forms and signatures must be returned to the office by October 8.

Board members are responsible for overseeing the operation of the supermarket and meet once a month. For further information contact Joe Timer 301-474-6775 or Tom Lammons 301-474-3507.

Hard of Hearing Support Group

The first fall meeting of Self-Help for Hard of Hearing Persons, Prince George's County Chapter, will be held Thursday, September 9, 2-4 p.m. at the Greenbelt Community Center. The topic for discussion is sharing problems and workable solutions. The organization will also begin a survey of local restaurants to identify facilities in which hard of hearing persons find it easier to hear and understand conversations. Room size, seating arrangement, sound-absorbing materials, and lighting will be considered. Findings will be shared and circulated to anyone who is interested.

Self-Help for Hard of Hearing Persons is a national organization with chapters or groups across the country as well as overseas. Local groups function as support groups for people with a hearing loss by sharing their experiences and educating the public in how best to communicate with the hard of hearing.

Newcomers are welcome. For further information or directions call 301-474-0345.

GHI Notes

GHI offices will be closed Monday, Sept. 6, to celebrate Labor Day. For emergency maintenance call 301-474-6011.

The Woodlands Committee meets on Wednesday, Sept. 8, at 7:30 p.m. in the Board Room.

Scheduled board meetings for the month will be held at 7:30 p.m. in the Board Room on Sept. 9 and 23. Members are always welcome.

The Marketing Committee will meet Sept. 15 at 7:30 p.m. in the Board Room.

OPEN STUDIO SUNDAY

12 noon - 5pm

Sunday, September 5th

Stop by to see the artists at work in their studio spaces!

The Greenbelt Community Center
Second Floor
For more information call 301-397-2208

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Sat. & Sun.
(2:20 & 4:45 @$4.00)
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Greenbelt Aquatic & Fitness Center
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Greenbelt, MD 20770

Try an aerobic class, no charge!!
Let our instructor lead you through a 45 minute calorie-burning class.

September 11th @ 9:30 am
OR
September 25th @ 9:30am

Call 301-397-2204 to sign up

CITY OF GREENBELT
LABOR DAY HOLIDAY SERVICE SCHEDULE

CITY OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 1999

Refuse/Recycling routes will be picked up as follows:
Monday Pickup will be collected on Tuesday.
Tuesday Pickup will be collected on Wednesday.
Wednesday Pickup will be collected on Thursday.
Thursday Pickup will be collected on Friday.
There will be NO FRIDAY yard debris or appliance pickups.
RECYCLING DROP-OFF CENTER WILL BE CLOSED ON THE EVENING OF SEPTEMBER 6TH.
The GREENBELT CONNECTION will not run on Monday, September 6.

For more information call the Department of Public Work at 301-474-8000, the Greenbelt Connection at 301-474-4100 or visit Greenbelt CityLink at http://www.ci.greenbelt.md.us

OBITUARY



Sidney O. Kastner

Sidney O. Kastner

Sidney Kastner, a resident of Greenbelt for 37 years, died at his home on August 25, 1999 of gastric cancer, complicated by bone and brain metastases.

Born in Winnipeg in 1926, Sid received his B.Sc. at McGill University in Montreal and his M.A. and Ph.D. at Syracuse University before coming to Greenbelt in 1959 to join the Solar Physics Branch of the Goddard Space Flight Center. In 1982, he accepted an early retirement and he and his wife, Bernice, moved to Vancouver, Canada, where he continued his research. The Kastners returned to Greenbelt in 1985 and Sid resumed work with NASA as a consultant, applying his expertise in atomic spectroscopy to astrophysics. His illness interrupted a prolific output of research publications, with more than 30 papers published since 1990 alone.

Sid had many interests in addition to his scientific research. From 1965 to 1975 he was a special reporter for the News Review, as well as a member of the board. His main beats were GHI and the city council. He also played the viola in amateur chamber music groups and enjoyed gardening and bird watching. He took great pleasure in his three children and seven grandchildren, and was given special gratification during this past year, in which daughter Judith (Skillman) had her fourth volume of poetry accepted for publication; daughter Ruth completed her Ph.D. in philosophy of science at the University of Maryland; and son Joel became an associate professor in the Department of Imaging Science at the Rochester Institute of Technology.

A memorial service will be held in late October after a tree is planted to commemorate his life. Those wishing to make a contribution in his memory may send it to either of the following: The Southern Poverty Law Center, PO Box 2077, Montgomery AL 36102, or Friends of Public Citizen, 1600 20th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20007.

Our Neighbors

Chris and Dan Harrington of Bowie announce the arrival of their daughter, Natalie Grace, born July 23. Natalie weighed 5 lbs. Proud grandparents are JoAnn McCarthy of Greenbelt and John Harrington.

Karl and Zach Brewster-Geisz happily announce the birth of Andrew Ferenc Brewster-Geisz, born on Friday August 20 at 8:22 p.m. at Holy Cross Hospital, Silver Spring. Drew weighed 8 lbs., 1 oz. Both mother and baby are fine.

Navy Fireman Maurice S. Waller, son of Vanessa A. Walter-Jones of Edmonston Court, recently participated in exercise "Phase Zero" in the waters off Puerto Rico while on a five-month South American deployment aboard the destroyer USS O'Bannon.

Waller is one of more than 300 sailors aboard the ship which departed its home port of Mayport, FL, as part of the US force participating in UNITAS. Latin for "unity" UNITAS is an annual deployment that circumnavigates South America, and has been a key element in promoting interoperability and friendship between US and Latin American navies since 1960.

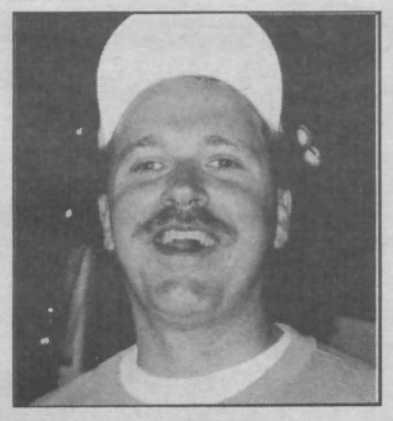
The 1998 graduate of Friendly Senior High School of Fort Washington joined the Navy in June 1998.

The Salvation Army Needs Holiday Help

The Salvation Army, located in Hyattsville, will be interviewing volunteers for holiday assistance through the month of September, between the hours of 10 a.m. and noon and 1-3 p.m. For more information, call Renee Dawson at 301-277-6104.

Discover Hip Herbs

Discover a medley of herbs for jazzing up a favorite dish at this free informal, outdoor, drop-in session for all ages in the National Herb Garden at the U.S. National Arboretum. The session will be held September 11-12, 1-3 p.m.



Steve "Kiko" Gingell

Kiko Hospitalized

Greenbelters are saddened to learn that Steve "Kiko" Gingell has been hospitalized. He has been diagnosed with an inoperable brain tumor and is undergoing treatment at Johns Hopkins University Hospital in Baltimore. Kiko's friends are collecting donations to help with medical expenses. In addition, 50/50 raffle tickets will be sold throughout Labor Day weekend. The winning ticket will be drawn at the Festival's close on Monday, September 6, at Braden Field. Future fundraisers will be scheduled and announced. To make a donation, please call Kim DeAngelis at 301-345-6571 or Paula Clinedinst at 301-345-3749.

Support Group For Mentally Ill

A free support group meeting for families who deal with mental illness will be held at 7 p.m. on September 8 (second Wednesday) at the Dyer Health Center, 9314 Piscataway Road, Clinton. For information call 301-839-0196.

Money For Turkey

The Jewish Federation of Greater Washington — dedicated to raising and allocating funds for the educational, cultural and human service needs of Jews locally, in Israel and in more than 60 countries around the world — has established a Turkish Earthquake Relief Fund to aid victims of the devastating earthquake in northwestern Turkey, where thousands are homeless. Checks can be made out to The Jewish Federation of Greater Washington-POT00DTER and sent to the Turkish Relief Fund, c/o The Jewish Federation of Greater Washington, 6101 Montrose Road, Rockville, MD 20852-4816. Monies in the fund will go to the Federation's international partner agencies experienced in providing humanitarian relief as a result of catastrophic disasters. Funds collected will go toward providing desperately-needed food, clothing and shelter. For further information, please contact Resa Levy at 301-230-7261 or rlevy@jewishfedwash.org.

Beulah Land Singers At Mowatt Methodist

The Beulah Land Singers will perform at the Mowatt Methodist Church at 40 Ridge Road, on Saturday, September 11 at the 7:30 p.m. service. A pot-luck supper will be held at 6 p.m. The group will also perform on Sunday, September 12 at the 11 a.m. service. Admission is free.

For more information call 301-474-7291.

Cancer Society Needs Volunteer Drivers

The American Cancer Society, located in Silver Spring, needs volunteer drivers for the Road to Recovery Program in Prince George's County. Road to Recovery drivers take patients to and from medical appointments. Volunteers must have their own car and a good driving record. Even if people only have one morning a week or one afternoon a month, they are needed. Training will be provided. Call 301-933-9350 for more information.

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scripts, run cameras, interview, and how to engagingly present the gathered information on television.

Unfortunately, Herling and his team of youngsters had to discontinue the program in 1992 because the technical "equipment was not performing consistently." But now that GATE has a permanent studio in the Community Center with excellent camera and editing equipment, Herling hopes to do shows with children and teenagers again.

Currently, "Greenbelt in Focus" offers a variety of programs. Although the show was Herling's idea, several GATE members and employees are involved. The production team includes Douglas Love, Christopher Konkel, and Malia Murray.

"Greenbelt in Focus" concentrates on current news events, such as upcoming elections. Herling and his team also film and air productions at the Arts Center and cover the Greenbelt Labor Day Festival, to mention only a few of their contributions.

No Television Experience

Herling recalled that when he first started the program, he had absolutely no television experience. However, he was very excited about working at GATE. "I always wanted to get into TV ...I really enjoyed interviewing people," Herling said.

Once, Herling remembers, he almost ran out of time getting ready for an important interview: Herling had recently moved and forgot to purchase a new shower curtain. He neither wanted to flood his new home nor show up at the interview without looking his best. Thus, he decided to run to the store to get a shower curtain only an hour before the scheduled television interview. Making it to the studio just on time, Herling was in for a surprise. "I had gone to all this trouble ... showering, looking nice, tie and stuff ... and he (my interviewee) came in dressed in shorts and a casual t-shirt," laughed Herling.

Herling wants "Greenbelt in Focus" to become "somewhat like the CBS Sunday morning program," covering arts, recreation and civic issues on a regular basis. To do that and in order to accomplish "Greenbelt at Work," he would like to draw from a pool of volunteers at GATE, a pool that is still rather empty.

Volunteers are needed for everything from running cameras to applying make-up, and from conducting an interview to researching an issue. Call GATE at 301-507-6581. No experience only enthusiasm is needed.



County Library Holds Annual Book Sale

Books, CDs, and books on tape, all in good condition, are among the more than 10,000 bargain items that will be available for purchase at the Prince George's County Memorial Library's annual fall book sale at the New Carrollton branch, 7414 Riverdale Road, Saturday, Sept. 18 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday, Sept. 19 from noon to 5 p.m. A Friends of the New Carrollton Library bake sale will take place in conjunction with the book sale. For more information call 301-699-3500 or visit the library web site at <http://www.prge.lib.md.us>.



Congressman Steny Hoyer held a press conference at the Greenbelt Municipal Building in August to express concerns about the high cost of prescription drugs for senior citizens.

-photo by Leigh Catterton

Steny Hoyer Highlights Drug Price Differences

by Sue Krofchik

Drugs were a big deal in Greenbelt on August 25, when Steny H. Hoyer, U.S. Representative for the Fifth Congressional District of Maryland, held a press conference at the Municipal Building to release the results of a study on the cost of prescription drugs. The findings were a bitter pill to swallow and, according to Hoyer, "further proof that Congress needs to expand Medicare coverage to prescription drugs."

Hoyer had requested that the House Committee on Government Reform investigate the pricing of five brand name prescription drugs with the highest sales to the elderly. Eleven drug stores within the Fifth District were surveyed. Seniors without prescription coverage were found to pay an average markup of 129% for the five drugs studied, with a range of 88% to 285%.

Seniors Pay More

"Senior citizens and other individuals who pay for their own drugs pay more than twice as much for these drugs than do the drug companies' 'favored customers'," the report found. Favored customers include large insurance companies, health maintenance organizations (HMOs) and certain federal government purchasers.

Hoyer cited Zocor, a drug to combat high cholesterol, for which the report said "favored customers" paid $27 for a 30-day supply, while seniors without prescription coverage pay $103.97, a markup of 285%, for the same number of pills. Norvasc, a high blood pressure medicine, is priced at $59.71 for favored customers while seniors without coverage pay $117.03, a markup of 96%.

"It is very hard to say that we do not need Medicare coverage of prescription drugs when you see the prices senior citizens have to pay for medication," said Hoyer, who added that seniors make up 12% of the population but use one-third of all prescription drugs."

Personal Experiences

Two senior citizen constituents of Hoyer's told of personal experiences with drug costs. Ann Grasso, an 85-year-old resident of Attick Towers in College Park told the audience her HMO allows $1,000 per year for prescription drugs, for which she is grateful. She takes seven different prescription medicines and with a co-pay of $15 each, she spent "just over $100 a month" out-of-pocket from January until May. In May, the $1,000 allowance was used up, at which time she began paying the senior citizen rates cited by Hoyer.

From June 1 through August 16 Grasso has spent $947 on medicine alone. "I can't go on much longer " (paying these prices) and "I can't get another penny until the first of the year." When she tried to cut down on one of her medicines, taking it every other day, she became anemic.

Meals or Medicine

"It's terrible to get old and have to choose between meals or medicine" said another Attick Tower senior, Evelyn Long. Her HMO also allows $1,000 per calendar year, which has been used up already. She takes eight medications, three of which cost over $340 for a one-month supply. Long also tried to take medicine less often to make it last longer, and ended up with a severe asthma attack. While her grown children help as much as they can, they have children and spouses and their own expenses to meet. Long came to the press conference "to say how badly Medicare prescription coverage is needed," not only for her but for thousands of other seniors.

Hoyer told the audience there is presidential and political susport for adding prescription drug benefits to Medicare coverage. Letters about the drug coverage issue can sent to the Honorable Bill Archer, Chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee, 1236 Longworth House Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20515-4307, and the Honorable Tom Bliley, Chair of the Commerce Committee, 2409 Rayburn House Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20515-4307.

Greenbelt Museum



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The next presentation will be held on:

Monday, September 13, 1999 7:15 p.m.
Saturday, September 25, 1999 11:00 a.m.

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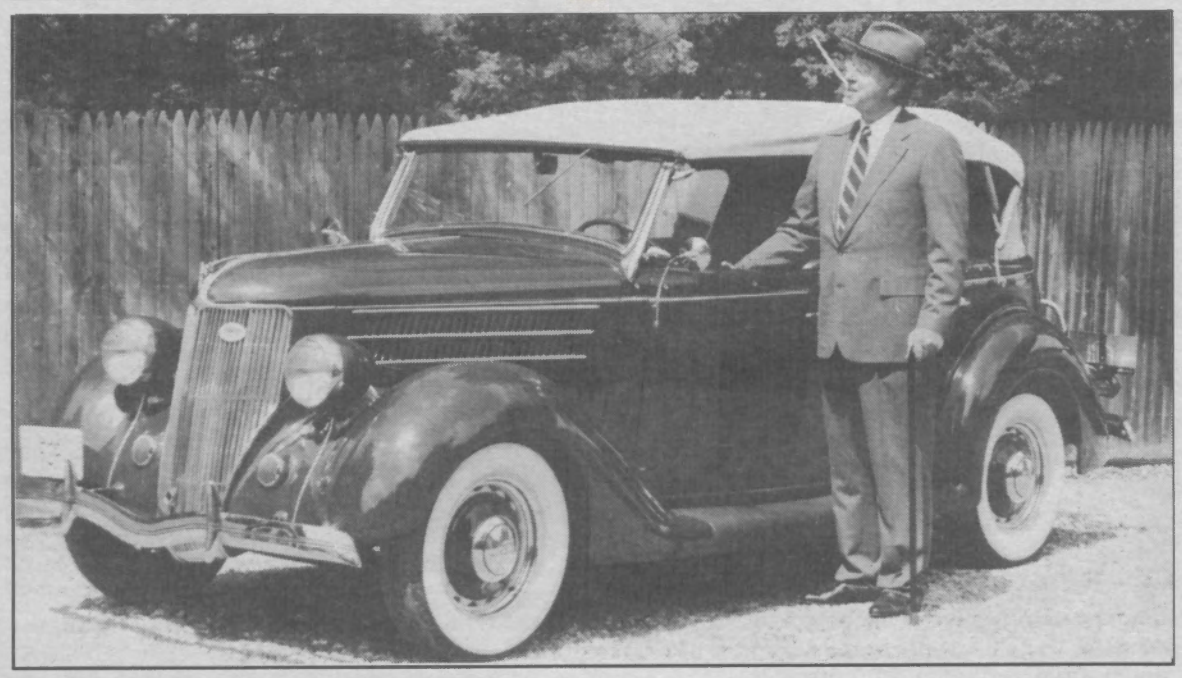
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-photo courtesy Delmas Wood

A Greenbelt Gardener



by
Rosie Rhubarb

Thank goodness for the rain on Wednesday, August 18, because the three inches of rain was sorely needed. And the rains around that date means between five and a half and six inches of rain fell in a ten day period. This was more rain than we had in June and July combined. This does not mean the drought is over.

January was the only rainy month we have had since May of 1998. A rainy ten day period can only start to make up for that kind of rain deficit. To get an idea of what I mean, notice that puddles were few and what muddy patches there were after the recent rains dried up quickly. The ground is still dry and any moisture that lands on it is quickly soaked up.

The recent rains do bring a welcome reprieve from hand watering plants. If we continue to receive 3/4 of an inch of rain a week or more, little hand watering may have to be done. But that assumes a normal rainfall pattern will return; something that is by no means certain to happen. So if it does not rain at least once a week, plants, especially smaller ones with their smaller root systems, will need watering.

The great thing about these recent rains is that it will mean some plants will not die. If we continued without rain I knew that plants in my yard which had suffered through last year's drought would die. If they wilted unless watered well at that time then they would be all the more likely to die in the current, much drier conditions. Also plants in tough spots, such as on slopes or next to pavement, would be stressed too much. These plants have now gotten a new lease on life. My guess is the tougher types of plants will make it. I'm thinking of things like ivy, daylily, daffodils, rose of sharon. The kinds of plants that thrive even in yards that are totally neglected. They just seem to be able to make it on their own.

This reminds me that I wanted to comment that I hope people will not give up gardening because of their experiences in a tough year. There are many fine plants that need little care and survive even tough times. The key is picking tough varieties and preparing them well when you plant. For example, I have part of my garden in a sunny, open spot. I do not water most of them after the first month they are in the ground and I plan accordingly from the start. They are still blooming, if much less than usual. The annual flowers that have done the best this year are cosmos, gaillardia, gomphrena, cleome, and lisianthus. Sunflowers also seem to do well for other gardeners. So when the drought ends, think about planning a garden again because it can be done.

Register to Vote

Elementary School Seeks Volunteers

For those who like working with children and have some free time, Greenbelt Elementary School is in need of volunteers. Kathy Curl, principal of the school says, "We need volunteers for everything!" Opportunities include reading to children, helping with math, and assisting teachers in the centers.

In the cafeteria, little people need help in the food line as well as in opening their milk cartons. In the library, new books need to be stamped. Brown paper bag covers need to be put on math books.

After Labor Day, volunteers are encouraged to stop by the office at Greenbelt Elementary School to fill out a volunteer's application form or to call Sherri Collier at 301-513-5911. Those who are already over-committed can help by donating brown paper bags.

How to Avoid Stings

According to the American College of Allergy, Asthma, and Immunology (ACAAI), stings from bees, wasps, hornets, and yellow jackets can be prevented. The ACAAI lists several simple precautions that can be taken to avoid painful stings. One of the most basic tips is to avoid walking barefoot in the grass and never swat at flying insects. Another important piece of advice during the summer is to avoid drinking from any open beverage can, the main draw to any insect.

Other precautions include keeping garbage cans covered with tight-fitting lids. People should also avoid using sweet smelling perfumes, hairsprays and bright colored clothing. It is also important to remember that insect repellants do not work against stinging insects.

Anyone who has had an allergic reaction to an insect sting should see an allergist. There is a 60% chance of having a similar, or worse, reaction if stung again. Future allergic reactions can be prevented with a highly effective vaccination program available from an allergist.

For more information call 1-800-23STING for a free educational booklet.

City Notes

The special operations crew continued refurbishing the Labor Day booths and installed traffic reflectors on Breezewood Drive. They also hung banners and put up temporary No Parking signs for Labor Day.

The streets crew assisted with reconditioning Labor Day booths.

The parks crew completed repairs to the bridges in Stream Valley Park, repaired shelters at several bus stops, and continued ballfield and playground maintenance.

The horticulture crew spread mulch throughout the city to conserve the moisture from the rains and removed a hazardous tree near the school crossing at St. Hugh's.

On Thursday evening the monthly check of street lights was completed. The list of inoperable lights was faxed to Pepco on Friday morning. Also on Thursday evening Gene Diest checked city storm drains during the rain to prevent flooding.



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PRELIMINARY AGENDA
MEETING OF GHI
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Thursday, September 9, 1999 • 7:30 p.m.
GHI Board Room
Immediately Following GDC Meeting

Key Agenda Items - Regular Meeting

■ Service Side Parking - 19 Court Ridge	Discussion
■ Conflict of Interest Policy	Discussion
■ Trash Removal Contract - First Reading	Action
■ Water Heater Replacement Program - First Reading	Action
■ Tree Liability	Action
■ Smoke Detector Maintenance Policy	Action
■ Replacement Doors for Rental Garages	Action
■ Reaffirmation of Board Goals	Action

Regular Board meetings are open to members.

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OFFICIAL NOTICE

NOMINATIONS FOR 1999
REGULAR COUNCIL ELECTION

A regular election to elect the five members of the City Council will be held in the City of Greenbelt, Maryland on Tuesday, November 2, 1999.

Any qualified voter of the City may be nominated for the office of Council Member upon filing at the Office of the City Clerk a nomination petition signed by at least fifty (50) qualified voters, a written acceptance of the nomination, and such other statements as are required by the City Charter or by law.

NOMINATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED THRU MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 1999

Required forms are available in the City Clerk's Office, Municipal Building, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. For additional information, call the City Clerk at 301-474-8000

David E. Moran, CMC
City Clerk

FBI Sought Julia Eichhorst For Outstanding Service



Greenbelter Julia Eichhorst (left) was recently awarded the Attorney General's Award for Outstanding Service by U.S. Attorney General Janet Reno.

by Sue Krofchik

According to reliable sources, people have been overheard whispering that Greenbelter Julia Eichhorst is wanted by the FBI. Word on the street is that she played a key role in a major elimination project involving hundreds of people over a two-year period.

The News Review has confirmed that Eichhorst was on a long-awaited vacation, visiting her sick mother in Illinois, when she was summoned. Actually, she voluntarily agreed to return to Washington. On July 13 she met first with director of the FBI Louis Freeh and then with Attorney General of the United States, Janet Reno. . . for the U. S. Department of Justice 47th Annual Awards Ceremony at Constitution Hall.

What Had She Done?

What had Eichhorst done? Eliminated a backlog of over two million pages and 141 requests in the Freedom of Information Act Administration of the FBI. Eichhorst and the other members of her team were recognized at a breakfast with the director of the FBI, and in the afternoon she received the Attorney General's Award for Outstanding Service from Janet Reno herself.

Eichhorst is a member of a Freedom of Information/Privacy Acts Negotiation Team. The Team was conceived in 1997 as a means of dealing with a backlog of over 16,000 requests for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). Requests can be very broad in nature involving files from one to many thousands of pages long. The average number of pages that can be processed within one hour is less than ten. Eichhorst processed one file on Richard Nixon with over 45,000 pages. Another request involved over 200,000 pages.

Experimental Approach

The idea of forming a negotiating team for FOIA was a new and experimental approach. Over a two-year period, the team contacted over 560 requesters of information. Using "exceptional communication skills and outstanding negotiating techniques," they called and spoke with those who had made the request to find out what it was they really wanted. Combining what they learned with "in-depth knowledge of the types of files pertinent to the request, and with in-depth knowledge of the Acts and the FBI," they were able to process the requests in a way that saved the government two million pages at a rate of 10 hours per page, at the same time "satisfying even the most sophisticated requester." The backlog was cut in half and all requests are now processed faster.

This was the first time anyone within the FBI portion of the Department of Justice has received the Attorney General's Award for Outstanding Service. It was also the first time this award was granted to persons other than attorneys.

Eichhorst has been with the U.S. Department of Justice since 1978, when she joined the FBI and moved to Washington. A graduate of Eastern Illinois University, she was born and raised in Olney, Illinois where she grew up learning the political ropes from her father, a community activist and local precinct committeeman.

Discovered Greenbelt

In 1991 she discovered and "fell in love with" Greenbelt and GHI (Greenbelt Homes Inc). On Superbowl Sunday in January 1992 she moved into her home with a long-dreamed-of white picket fence. Like her father, she soon became active in the local community. Eichhorst is currently serving her second two-year term on the GHI board of directors, including her second year as vice president. She has chaired or is a member of almost every GHI committee and was voted Outstanding Committee Person of the Year in both 1996 and 1999.

Eichhorst is active with the Friends of the Greenbelt Museum, where she also serves on the board of directors and is a docent. She can also be found at Greenbelt Flower and Garden Club activities. In the past she regularly walked her sharpei, Ming, before the dog passed away last January.

Eichhorst is currently busy putting finishing touches on the GHI booth and float for Greenbelt's Labor Day Festival.

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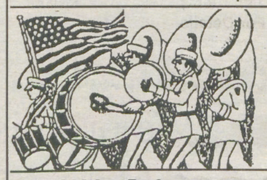
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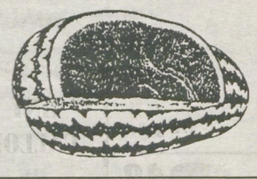
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MISS GREENBELT

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ball rather than letting the ball "charge me." While many of the candidates, even the young "Little Misses," such as Shaine Siegel, a nine year-old fourth grader at Thomas Pullen and Tai Lowry, an eight year-old fourth grader at Glenarden Woods Elementary, have some dance in their backgrounds, it's clear that getting everyone on the same page is a big challenge, and like infield practice, does require repetitious exercise on the part of the performers as well as Pittman's patience and encouragment. However, one of Pittman's secrets, as Amanda Winfrey, a 12 year-old, sixth grader and Junior Miss candidate told me, is that she "breaks the dance down into pieces so it's easier to learn."

Changes over Generations

Practicing the opening dance routine reflects the changes which have occurred over the generations of Miss Greenbelt pageants. While one cannot deny that beauty is and always will be part of the pageant, the definition of what beauty is has been changing. No longer does the pageant include the swimsuit competition but instead appears to have placed greater emphasis on the overall makeup of the contestants. The program's organizers, Pageant Chair Natasha Jewell, and her assistants, former Miss Greenbelts Christina Patsas and Jennette donBullian have challenged even the Little Miss candidates to think about the future. Each candidate, regardless of age category, is asked what her ambition or career goals are.

Here are some of the Little Miss responses: CandiceWindsor, a nine-year-old, fifth grader at Ascension Lutheran wants to be a veterinarian as do Amanda Lee Dorsey, a seven-year-old second grader at St.Hugh's, Cheri Bailey, a nine year old fifth grader at Greenbelt Elementary, and Shaine Siegel. (Siegel also expresses an interest in architecture and art as well.) Amanda Winfrey wants to be a lawyer, and Aubrey Vera-Joan Schiavone, an 11 year old sixth grader at St. Hugh's wants to either be a teacher or country music singer. Devin Fendlay, a seven year old second grader at St. Hugh's is also interested in veterinary science, but if that doesn't work out, she'd like to pursue a career in gymnastics. Now, that requires being flexible. Tai Lowry, a Junior Redskinette, has a more immediate goal: to be elected president of the Student Council. Her long term goals are to become a doctor, singer or actress. Might we have another "Patch Adams" in the offing? Samantha Lorraine Ingraham, a fifth grader at Greenbelt Elementary, wants to work for NASA. And Kimberly Erin Carey, a nine-year old Greenbelt Elementary student, would like to be a police officer.

Activities and Interests

The activities and interests of the participants also reflect how times have changed. Junior Miss candidate Tiffany Axtell, a 12 year old seventh grader at Greenbelt Middle School, is not only a safety patrol, but also is involved with peer mediation. Miss Greenbelt candidate, Ana Quintanilla, a 16 year old eleventh grader at Eleanor Roosevelt High School where she is vice president of the Hispanic Heritage Club, would like to study architecture, a field that women were not heavily involved with a generation or so ago. Miss Greenbelt candidate Pamela Amihere, a 16 year old, twelfth grader at ERHS, has worked as an assistant teacher at the Enchanted Way Day Care Center. Heather Buerger, a 14-year old ninth grader at ERHS, wants to go into meteorology. And Pamela Brewster, a 16 year old eleventh grader at ERHS, and a junior Redskinette, has a broad variety of interests in skills ranging from dancing to the violin. Brewster's ambition is to work in advertising and graphic design. Jessamyn Renee Goshorn, a 17 year old sophomore at the University of Maryland, is interested in government and international relations and plans to attend law school. And Joanna Andrus, a 15 year old tenth grader at ERHS, enjoys working with people across generational lines. She'd like to work with people, and looks forward as well to working with music.

Of course, solid traditions continue. Jessica Mealey, a 13-year old eighth grader at Thomas Pullen, and Junior Miss Greenbelt candidate, has two possible careers: teaching and acting. Aubrey Vera-Joan Schiavone, an 11 year old sixth grader at St. Hugh's and also a Junior Miss candidate also has a couple of targets: teaching or singing country music. Rebecca Fletcher, a 12 year old seventh grader at Greenbelt Middle School, also would like to teach and practice law as a prosecuting attorney as well. Joining Mealey, Schiavone and Fletcher as a prospective teacher is Emily Ivy, a 12 year old sixth grader at St. Hugh's. Stephanie Holland, an 11 year old seventh grader at St. Hugh's, bucks this trend and is interested in pursuing a career as a photographer or as a journalist.

"Great Responsibility"

In any event, the fun and suspense is about to begin as the three-tiered competition commences. The event, which honors, in the words of Pamela Brewster, "beauty, truth, honesty and grace," has moved beyond what Micki Felota Powell, Miss Greenbelt 1970, called a "popularity contest." "It is a great responsibility," according to Miss Greenbelt candidate Ingrid Landeverde. The eleventh grader at Eleanor Roosevelt High School is well aware of the requirements of Miss Greenbelt. Among other tasks, the three representatives must attend two community events each month.

Joi Loretz says in the year she has represented our city as Miss Greenbelt 1998, she has "grown more mature." Joi opined last year, in response to a question regarding her feelings about whether or not multiculturalism should be taught and encouraged in schools that it was "a good idea to learn about other cultures. We're afraid of what's different and that's one reason why we experience the violence we do." Joi and her colleagues Jessica Teets, Junior Miss Greenbelt and Jessica Hall, Little Miss Greenbelt, have demonstrated to Greenbelt that, once again, bright, caring and well-balanced young women and girls serve as excellent ambassadors for a positive, peaceful message, for a town which is great but is never afraid to be better.

FESTIVAL

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for second place and the David Craig Memorial Scholarship Fund is the big winner with 50%. (In case of rain the event is canceled)

Tournaments galore: Table Tennis Tournament, Slow-Pitch Softball Tournament, Tennis Tournament, Reds Roland Memorial Horseshoe Tournament and 4-on-4 Beach Volleyball Tournament. Check your schedules for all the dates and times for these exciting events. Come out and watch the vigorous competition at your favorite events.

In case of rain, outdoor tournaments will be postponed and rescheduled.

Special Events for all ages and interests - find your favorite:

Senior Citizen's Swim Party – All Seniors are invited to enjoy a potluck lunch and swim party on Fri. beginning at 9 am.

Golf Contest – closest to the flag. This is a very popular event and is being held a little earlier this year, 9 a.m. Sat. morning. Warm up your swing and come out and compete. Junior, Senior, Men and Women's categories are offered.

T-Ball Hitting Contest – Open to boys and girls ages 4 to 9. Come on kids, show off that great swing and go home with a trophy. The event is Sat. morning at 11 a.m.

Children's Walking Scavenger Hunt - Sun. at 1 p.m. The kid's hunt has prizes for winners and ice cream for all participants. Sounds like lots of fun for energetic kids, come out and join the hunt.

Adult Scavenger Hunt - Sun. at 2:30 p.m. Teams often get creative with their list of items. The prizes are always great; and this year is no exception – the grand prize is four tickets to a Redskin game! Organize a team and come out and compete.

In case of rain all special events are canceled.

Arts and Crafts Show and Sale to be held on the Community Center lawn. Sat. 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Sun. noon to 6 p.m. This promises to be bigger and better than ever. Come out and see for yourself. (In case of rain - moved to Lobby of Community Building).

Douglass Influence Conference Topic

The Frederick Douglass National Historic Site of the National Park Service has announced an upcoming international conference on Douglass. The conference, entitled "Frederick Douglass: At Home and Abroad," will be held Sept. 9 and 10 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Department of Interior Auditorium at 18th and C Streets, N.W., Washington D.C.

Scholars from Europe and North America will speak on Frederick Douglass' international significance, including his relationship to countries like Haiti and the British islands and his approach to the U.S. Constitution. Evening receptions will be held to welcome participants: on Sept. 9, hosted by the Caring Institute of Washington and Sept. 10, hosted by the Historical Society of Washington. The day following the conference, on Sept. 11, the Frederick Douglass National Historic Site will host a tour of Douglass' last residence.

Attendance is free and open to all; advance registration is required. To register call Crystal Edwards at 202-690-5185 or Jenny Masur at 202-690-5166.

Greenbelt CARES

Nancy Watt Marin has joined CARES as a family clinic volunteer counselor. Marin is in her fifth year of graduate school studies and expects to earn a Ph.D. in psychology next year. Her prior work includes a stint at the Hospital for Sick Children.

The Greenbelt Senior Citizen's Advisory Committee presents a

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Pharmacy Topics

By Sajida Qayumi, Rph.



Old wives' tales, yes and no: it's not true that moles often grow significantly larger in pregnant women. If there are noticeable changes in skin, see your doctor.

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It *is* true that taking antibiotics does seem to increase a woman's risk of developing vaginal yeast infections by altering the balance of natural organisms. See a doctor if symptoms appear.

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For rheumatoid arthritis, taking methotrexate together with Enbrel (an immune modulating drug) works better than methotrexate alone, the *New England journal of Medicine* reports.

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The new medication modafinil (Provigil), designed to keep people with narcolepsy awake, may be preferable to stimulants currently used. Unlike amphetamines, the new drug is not addictive.

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A study at the University of Wisconsin found that smokers are 70 percent more likely to have hearing loss than nonsmokers. And hearing loss increased in relation to the "pack years" of smoking.

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About 25 million students ride school buses daily. Although this is one of the safest ways to travel to and from school, injuries do occur. Many injuries happen when children are boarding or exiting the bus. A blind spot extends 10 feet around the bus, obstructing the driver's view. Children are not aware of this danger zone and might mistakenly believe that if they can see the bus, the bus driver can see them. The National SAFE KIDS Campaign offers these important tips for school bus safety:

Waiting for the Bus

A child's behavior at the bus stop is a very important aspect of school bus safety. Children should follow these safety tips while waiting for the bus:

Arrive at the stop at least five minutes before the bus is scheduled to arrive.

Stay out of the street and avoid horseplay.

Always wait for parents on the same side of the street as the school bus loading/unloading zone.

On the Bus

While on the bus, children should observe the following safety rules:

Remain seated at all times and keep the aisles clear.

Do not throw objects.

Do not shout or distract the driver unnecessarily. Keep heads and arms inside the bus at all times.

Boarding and Leaving the Bus

When boarding or leaving the bus, the children should always:

Wait until the bus comes to a complete stop before exiting.

Walk in a single file line.

Use the handrail to avoid falls.

Be aware of the driver's blind spot (10 feet in front of the bus) when walking away from the bus. Do not bend over to pick up dropped items. Instead, children should notify the driver and ask for help.

Cross the street at least 10 feet in front of the bus.

Remove loose drawstrings or ties on jackets and sweatshirts and replace with Velcro, snaps, or buttons. Loose drawstrings or book bags can snag on bus handrails putting children in danger of being strangled or dragged by the bus.

If parents are concerned that a bus stop is in a dangerous place, they should talk with school officials to change the location.

Middle School Eyed for Park-School Site

by Nelda Young

Transforming Greenbelt Middle School (GMS) into a park-school while preserving its historic status was a major topic of discussion when Greenbelt's School Board Representative Jim Henderson met with the Advisory Committee on Education (ACE) on August 24. The park-school concept involves a formal plan to utilize the grounds around a school for recreational and park use by the general public as well as for school activities.

City Councilmember Thomas White began the discussion of renovating GMS by requesting a commitment from the Prince George's County Board of Education to preserve the school's historic status. White said he is interested in a loose partnership between the city's Recreation Department and GMS regarding the ball field and sports facilities. He suggested the arrangement also include joint participation and shared responsibility for the lights. He requested that a focus group be formed and a sector map projection be done which includes GMS.

Mayor Judith Davis suggested that if the school bus parking lot were moved, GMS could become a park-school.

Councilmember Edward Putens offered that "Greenbelt is willing to contribute to upkeep of ball fields" and asked Henderson to relay that message to the Board of Education. Mayor Davis offered to submit a supportive letter for the project from the city.

Henderson urged the committee to move forward immediately to request that funds be earmarked to create a park-school, saying it is important to get the politicians involved up front.

ACE Chair Leta Mach proposed an October meeting to discuss the GMS proposal. She suggested invitations be extended to the Advisory Committees on Education in Bowie, College Park, and New Carrollton and to Dr. Gerald Boarman, chief education administrator of the Eleanor Roosevelt cluster of schools.

Henderson recommended also inviting Prince George's County School Superintendent Iris Metts, County Councilman Thomas Hendershot, and Governor Parris Glendening. He agreed to personally extend the invitation to Metts.

Help with Book Sale

Davis Memorial Goodwill Industries is recruiting volunteers for its annual used book sale to be held October 21-26. More than 200 volunteers are needed – training is provided. Prior experience is helpful, but not required. For information and an application, call Judy Sklar at 202-636-4225, ext. 1257.

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POLICE BLOTTER

Based on information released by the Greenbelt Police Department. Dates and times are those when police were first contacted about incidents.

Armed Robbery

Greenway Shopping Center, Aug. 20, 8:23 p.m., a woman reported that as she was standing by her parked vehicle with the door open, one male approached the vehicle from the front and a second male approached it from the rear. The first squirted her in the face with a pepper-type spray. The second grabbed her daily planner, which contained cash, a driver's license, and credit cards. The victim observed that the second robber had a handgun in his hand at the time of the incident. Both fled on foot with the victim's planner. Area checks proved negative.

Assault

6000 block of Springhill Drive, Aug. 21, 9:17 p.m., while playing at the playground, a 12-year-old girl was approached by an unknown female who said to her, "You got a problem with me." Before she could reply, the female struck her several times in the left eye, causing swelling and bruising. The assailant and females with her then fled on foot towards Springhill Lane. The area was checked by officers upon their arrival, with negative results. The suspect is described as black, age 17 to 19, 5'6", with a heavy build and black hair pulled back in a bun. She was wearing a white t-shirt and blue jeans.

Intersection of Springhill Drive and Edmonston Road, Aug. 24, 6:38 p.m., the victim stated that while walking with a friend and her younger sister in the area of 6200 Springhill Drive, she was approached by a female who asked, "Do you have a problem with my sister," and pointed to one of the other four females who were with her. The victim stated she did not know any of them and turned and walked away, at which time the females jumped her from behind and began punching her and ripping her t-shirt. Two unknown males in the area who witnessed the assault assisted in breaking up the altercation. An area check was conducted by the police upon their arrival, with negative results. The victim sustained minor swelling and bruising to her face and forehead. Two of the suspects are black and aged 14 to 15. One was 5'0" and 100 lbs., with black hair in a ponytail and a medium complexion; she was wearing a blue t-shirt and blue stretch pants. The second was 5'5" and 100 lbs., with black hair in a ponytail and a light complexion; she was wearing an ivory t-shirt and light blue jeans. The third suspect was a black female, aged 16 to 17, 5'0" to 5'2", heavy set, with a medium complexion; she was wearing blue jean overalls and a flannel shirt. Detailed descriptions of the other two suspects were not available.

Driving while Intoxicated

Hotline on Drugs

The Greenbelt Police Department needs the help of residents. Any citizen with information about possible drug activity in the city is encouraged to call the Greenbelt Narcotics Hot Line at 301-507-6522. Callers may remain anonymous.

Northbound Route 201 at Route 193, Aug. 21, 2:44 a.m., a 50-year-old male resident was arrested for driving while under the influence and driving while intoxicated. He was charged on criminal citation and later released from headquarters.

Burglary and Theft

7700 block of Ora Court, Aug. 20, 2:28 p.m., an AT&T cordless phone was reported stolen. Entry was gained by breaking the sliding glass door with a rock.

6200 block of Springhill Court, Aug. 20, 8:17 p.m., a pool table, U.S. currency, a TV, a couch, a chair and ottoman, clothes, food, and CDs were reported stolen. An attempt was made to force the front door and a window was broken.

7800 block of Mandan Road, Aug. 23, 6:44 p.m., a Technics keyboard, model SXKN800, was reported stolen. The means of entry is unknown.

6900 block of Hanover Parkway, Aug. 24, 1:41 p.m., two silver Hutch "Trickstars" BMX bicycles and a green 10-speed bicycle were reported stolen from a common storage area in the building. Entry was gained through an unlocked window.

Vehicle Crimes

The following vehicles were reported stolen: a green 1996 Kawasaki ZX11 motorcycle with D.C. tags 9905M, Aug. 20, from Beltway Plaza Mall; a green 1994 Mazda MX-3 with Maryland tags GHX 545, Aug. 21, from the 9000 block of Breezewood Terrace; and a silver four-door 1990 Subaru Legacy with Virginia tags YWZ 6292, Aug. 23, from the 9200 block of Springhill Lane.

Vandalisms to and thefts from vehicles were reported in the following areas: 6100 block of Breezewood Court, 6000 block of Springhill Drive, 6100 block of Greenbelt Road, 6600 block of Lakepark Drive, Roosevelt Center, 20 Southway, and 7500 block of Greenway Center Drive.

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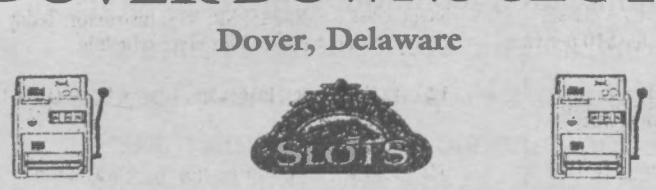
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Curran says consumers should know that they do not ever have to send any money or order any product in order to enter a sweepstakes or have an equal chance of winning.

Curran says sweepstakes mailings can be very convincing in their efforts to make people believe that they are about to win. They want people want to respond, hopefully with an order. Some sweepstakes that are outright scams ask the recipient to dial a 900 number to respond, for which a hefty fee will appear on that person's phone bill. Others may ask the consumer to send a "processing fee" with their entry.

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PLAYGROUND

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total needed for improvements to all eight playgrounds was estimated at $210,000 to $250,000, the consultants' report stated.

Such changes to playgrounds have resulted from newer serious concern on the part of all jurisdictions that play equipment be in compliance with standardized Consumer Product Safety Commission requirements and Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) regulations and guidelines.

GHI Initiatives

Following a survey of member households, GHI learned that residents favored retaining its playgrounds. GHI then formed an ad hoc study committee. This committee recommended that the issue of playground indemnity be clarified in a new agreement; that the city hire a consultant to inspect the playgrounds on city property, and that the city address proper placement of safety surfaces at all playgrounds, and removal of lead paint.

Meeting of City and GHI

On February 18, McLaughlin met with GHI General Manager Gretchen Overdurff and several others to discuss the playground issues. In a subsequent letter, Overdurff reported that the meeting established that the 1987 Agreement is still in effect and will renew annually unless either party gives written notice in advance, that no serious accidents or recent legal actions have occurred, and that it would be less costly to replace than to repair equipment in many cases.

Among other things, the city should address priority concerns, grind down or change protruding bolts, add surfacing material to a depth of 12 inches under equipment and install more railroad ties to contain the depth, and modify swings for compliance. GHI also agreed to look into the possibility that ADA-compliant playgrounds might be eligible for Federal funding.

Current Status

McLaughlin reported in a telephone interview that the City of Greenbelt will be making use of expertise from other jurisdictions, such as Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission, as well as Greenbelt staff persons certified in playground safety, for an upcoming evaluation of the 30 playgrounds (including sites such as Schrom Hills) which are in Greenbelt.

McLaughlin also said that in the next month or so, staff will be preparing proposals seeking hoped-for Prince George's County Community Development Block Grant funding of playground renovations, and findings and recommendations of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board will be sent to the Greenbelt City Council for consideration. PRAB is expected to resume activities shortly after Labor Day.

City of Greenbelt progress on playgrounds to date includes repainting to remove the hazard of lead paint, surfacing with wood chips, fixing protruding bolts, and properly spacing equipment for "fall zone" safety.. McLaughlin said surfacing issues will receive further study because while wood chips are satisfactory for all other safety requirement purposes, they do not satisfy Americans with Disabilities Act requirements. ADA compliance calls for use of an engineered wood fiber material. The city would pay for all such surfacing, he said. As to liability with respect to playgrounds on GHI property, McLaughlin said the City of Greenbelt would assume liability for any accident on playground equipment but not, for example, "if a child tripped and fell over a tree root."

Seminar Offered

A free seminar on help for the Alzheimer's caregivers will be held on Monday, September 13, noon 2 p.m. in the Greenbelt Library. Joyce Simard, a nationally recognized expert on Alzheimer's disease, will speak.

Refreshments will be served. Register by Sept. 6 at 301-486-1590.

GIVES Needs Computer

The Greenbelt Intergenerational Volunteer Exchange Service, known as GIVES, is an organization composed of volunteers whose goal is to assist frail or disabled persons to remain independent in their homes as long as possible. Some requested services may be for simple yard work, transportation for medical reasons, organization of paper work, help with grocery shopping, some light meal preparation, or minor home repairs. Volunteers who provide these services receive credit hours which they in turn may use for themselves in the future when needed or donate to those who cannot reciprocate. However, participants are reminded that credit hours may be earned by making daily reassurance telephone calls or by serving on the telephone committee. Call 301-507-6580 for information.

GIVES is in desperate need of a computer, mouse, and printer. It must be able to take 3.5 discs and CD and hardware of a word processor in order to process requests for assistance in a more orderly way and to file service credits earned. In the event that someone may be upgrading a computer, and would like to donate a previously-owned one with the above-mentioned components, GIVES will be happy to have it for their office in the Senior Lounge of the Greenbelt Community Center. Call Secretary Jeane Bozzi at 301-552-3547 or Volunteer Coordinator at 301-507-6580 to arrange for the donation.

Greenbelt Recreation presents

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Register in advance or pay at the door (space is limited), for your chance to win beanie babies, teenie beanies and collectors accessories.

❒ Friday, September 10 ❒ 7:30pm - 9:30pm
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Registration forms for GAVA classes are available at the Community Center's main office.
For more information about GAVA classes please call Jessica Gitlis at 301-441-3859.

Class	Day/Time/Location/Fee	Description
Saturday Ceramics I Ages 8-10	Sa/10-11am/Cer.Stu./R:$70; NR: $80	9/25-12/18/ 12 wks. Instructor: Gladys Hann-O'Neill
Saturday Ceramics II Ages 5-8	Sa/11:15-12:15pm/Cer. Stu./R:$70;NR:$80	9/25-12/18 12 wks. Instructor: Gladys Hann-O'Neill
Pottery Ages 11+	Sa/3-5pm/Cer.Stu./R:$115;NR:$125	9/25-12/18/ 12 wks.. Instructor: Ann Potter
Comic Book I Ages 8-10	F/4:30-5:30pm/Child's Art Rm R:$75; NR:$85; $10 material fee	09/24-12/17/ 12 wks. Instructor: George Kochell
Animation Ages 10+	F/5:30-7:30pm/Child's Art Rm R:$140; NR: $150; $10 material fee	9/24-12/17/ 12 wks. Instructor: George Kochell Create an animated video with drawing and cut paper. A GAVA/GATE Production.
Sunday Family Workshops Ages 6+	Su/2-5pm/Cer. Stu. R: $45; NR:$55 for 1 wrkshp. Fee is for one adult & one child, Additional Child. For 3 pre-reg. wrkshps. R: $120; NR: $130 + additional child fee Families explore a variety of ceramic techniques during a series of 3 wk. workshops.	Wrkshp. I: 10/3, 10/10, 10/17 Creation/Transformation Pots. Let your clay tell the story. Wrkshp II: 11/7, 11/14, 11/21 Ceramic Toy Making Create works that rattle, whistle or roll without batteries. Wrkshp III: 12/5, 12/12/ 12/19 Wacky Masks Instructor: Gladys Hann-O'Neill
Sunday Ceramics Ages 12+	Su/1:30-3:30pm Cer.Stu./R: $115; NR: $125	9/26-12/19/ 12 wks. Instructor. TBA
Tile Making	T/7-9pm/Cer. Stu./R: $115; NR: $125	9/28-12/14/ 12 wks. Instructor: Katie Scott-Childress
Intro to the Wheel	T/7-9pm/Cer. Stu/R: $115; NR: $125	9/28-12/14/ 12 wks. Instructor: Gina Mai Denn
Calligraphy	M/7-9pm/Adult Art Rm/R: $60; NR: $70	9/27-11/1/ 6 wks. Instructor: Itsy Kliman Material list available at the CC
Paint Like a Pro	W/7-9pm/Adult Art Rm/R: $88; NR: $100	9/29-11/17/ 8 wks. Instructor: Ted Kliman
Inter. Wheel Technique	W/7-9pm/Cer. Stu./R: $115; NR: $125	9/29-12/15/ 12 wks. Instructor: Gina Mai Denn
Stained Glass I/ Copper Foil	Sa/3-5pm/Cer. Stu./R: $60; NR: $70 $15 Mat. Fee	9/25-11/13/ 8 wks. Instructor: Richard McMullin
Stained Glass II/ Lead	Sa/5-7pm/Cer. Stu./ R:$60; NR: $70 $15 Mat Fee	9/25-11/13/ 8 wks. Instructor: Richard McMullin
Ceramic Open Studio	Daily use of ceramic studio/R: $55; NR: $65	9/25-12/19/ 13 wks.
Drawing	Th/7-9pm/Adult Art Rm. R: $105; NR: $115	9/30-11/18/ 8 wks. Model fee: $25 (less if class enrolls more than 6). Instructor: Clark Mester
Basket Weaving	Sa/9am-2pm/Adult Art Rm./ 3 classes: R: $125; NR: $135, Mat. fee $10 per class	Single class fee: R; $45; NR: $55; Instructor: Teddy Primack. Call 441-8462 for class schedule.
Creative Water Color	Th/7-9:30pm/ Adult Art Rm. R: $40; NR: $45, Mat. not included	12/2-12/16/ 3 wks. Instructor: Gladys Hann O'Neill
Painting/Printmaking Ages 5-8	Sa/10-11am/Child's Art Rm R: $65; NR: $75	9/25-12/18/ 12 wks. Instructor: Barbara Simon
Painting/Printmaking Ages 8-10	Sa/11:15am-12:15pm/Child's Art Rm. R: $65; NR: $75	9/25-12/18/ 12 wks. Instructor: Barbara Simon
Painting Ages 10-16	Sa/1-2:30pm/Child's Art Rm. R: $120; NR: $130	9/25-12/18/ 12 wks. Instructor: Suzanne Koch Material not included, list available at CC.
Homeschoolers Art Ages 5-12	M/1-3pm/Children's Art Rm. R: $112; NR: $122	9/27-12/13/ 12 wks. Sibling R: $65; NR: $73 Explore ceramics paintings techniques.
Children's Drop-In Art Ages 6+	Tu/W/3-6pm/Child's Art Rm/$1.50 hr.	Open studio for kids in Children's Art Room. Volunteer supervised - no registration required. Begins 9/28
Pre-School Drop-In Art Ages 3-5	W/9-11am & 1-3pm/Child's Art Rm. Drop-In: $1.50hr.	Parents supervise chjildren. No registration required. Begins 9/28
Saturday Night Crafts Class	1st and 3rd Saturday Nights: 7pm-11pm Call Nancy at 301/345-5151 or pick up schedule at the CC main office.	Join Nancy DePlatchett for a series of craft programs. All levels.
Tapestry Weaving 1 day Workshops	S/2-5pm; R: $30; NR: $40; Mat. $15	Learn to make a loom and a variety of tapestry weaving techniques.
Stained Glass Workshops	S/3-6pm/Adult Art Rm. For fee schedule contact Richard McMullin 301/530-4534	Wrkshp. I: 9/19 Glass Mosaics Wrkshp. II: 11/20 Christmas Ornaments Wrkshp. III: 12/4 Quick Gifts Wrkshp IV: 12/18 Open Studio Instructor: Richard McMullin

Volunteers Needed

The Black Women's Health Council is seeking volunteers to participate in the Prince George's County HIV/AIDS Walk-a-Thon Saturday, Sept. 18. Registration begins at 7:30 a.m; the Walk begins at 9 a.m. at Jack Kent Cooke Stadium. For information call 301-808-0786.

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Job Placement Office Opens in Hyattsville

Mainstream, Inc., a national nonprofit organization that provides job placement services to people with disabilities, is opening a Hyattsville office to serve residents of Prince George's County. Located at 4316 Farragut Street in Hyattsville, the satellite office opened on July 7 and will be open Wednesdays from 9 a.m. to noon and 1 to 5 p.m. The new office is made possible by funding from the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development's Neighborhood Partnership Program.

Job seekers at Mainstream's new Hyattsville office will work one-on-one with job placement specialists who will provide – without charge — coaching on interviewing, resume and cover letter writing, interview skills, information on the Americans with Disabilities Act and other job search information. Participants will have access to Mainstream's Career Resource Center that provides all the necessary tools to perform an aggressive job search including computer and Internet access, phone, fax, and copy machine. Computer training is available to a limited number of participants who will receive a computer at no cost once they complete the training.

The Neighborhood Partnership program, which is funding the Hyattsville office, awarded $15,000 in tax credits to leverage $30,000 in donations from Maryland companies. Maryland businesses will receive tax credits against their corporate taxes for donations to support this satellite office. These donations are still fully deductible at the state and federal level. It provides businesses a way to be philanthropic and also directly realize a benefit in the form of tax reductions.

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"The World's Best Bar Band," the Nighthawks, will return for the third straight year to the Labor Day Festival on Saturday Night.

-photo by Peter Noah

Three Great Bands at Labor Day Festival

by Rick Ransom

Over the past four years, Festival Entertainment Chair and Vice President Patti Brothers has labored hard to bring top-flight music makers to the Festival stage. This year, she is bringing back three crowd favorites for repeat performances. As the best of what have been Washington's top entertainers, they are sure to delight and dazzle you and get you tapping your toes, if not dancing on your feet. In-depth portraits of the bands follow, compiled from previous year's articles by Sandy Smith.

Diamond Alley

Great vocals and a wide selection of popular as well as original songs are the hallmark of Diamond Alley, back for a repeat of their 1997 performance. They are a five-piece band, with all five members providing vocals for a great mix of dance, rock and popular music. Diamond Alley consists of lead vocalist and percussionist Chris Fath, bassist Berkley Royster, guitarist Marc Musser, keyboardist Bill Baker, and drummer Doug Macuch. The band's achievements include television work with WUSA Channel 9 and live radio broadcasts on WMJC 107.3. Diamond Alley was selected as the mid-Atlantic region's Best Top 40 band in both 1995 and 1996. They have performed with the Four Tops, The Coasters, and Mick Fleetwood. They are sponsored this year by Greenbelt Empress Travel Services.

Nighthawks

The Nighthawks are also a popular act from last year's Festival; they will entertain on Saturday evening of the Labor Day weekend. They are sponsored by the Greenbriar Community Association. The band is frequently billed as the "world's best bar band."

I am most impressed with the group's invisible communication. The bass player seems to follow every move of the guitar player and the singer, and transmits it immediately to the drummer, on some unseen signal - perhaps the movement of a shoe or the lifting of an eyebrow, or one note played more loudly or crisply denoting a chord change. These guys are a lesson in how small performance bands should sound, with perfect balance among instruments, a dominant lead singer, and an incessant beat. They are the very definition of rhythm and blues.

The group is approaching its 25th anniversary and still crossing the United States and making annual jaunts to Europe and occasional trips to Japan. Most of the early Nighthawks' work is on CD. They released a CD last year, "Pain and Paradise."

Pride

The musical group Pride has been performing in the Baltimore, Washington, Virginia and Eastern Shore areas for the last 17 years. The nucleus of the band consists of husband and wife Jim and Jeanne Black, who began performing together in high school. Jim is the keyboardist and also supplies some lead and background vocals. Jeanne brings to the group expressive vocals, high energy stage presence and skill on guitar, trumpet, harmonica and percussion instruments. Other members of the band are Jim Bowley, guitarist and vocalist, Chris Kreipl, bassist and vocalist, and Mike Kupel, vocalist and exuberant drummer. All members possess the dynamic ability to capture the styles of performers covered by the band, from Hootie and the Blowfish to Will Smith to ZZ Top to KC and the Sunshine Band.

The band plays Top 40, dance, modern rock, classic rock and ballads. They really involve the crowd in their act. They have played at Baltimore's City Fair, Charm City International Festival, at Martin's and Fontaine Bleu for many special occasions, night clubs, private and community parties, and many weddings. We are happy to have Pride in the festival and to have Greenbelt Marriott as their sponsor.

Arts Advisory Board Elects Officers

At its Aug. 26 meeting, the Arts Advisory Board elected Mary Clark, chair; Andrew Nitz, chair-elect, and Susan Hale Whitmore, secretary.

Medieval Program At Marietta House

A Galacia Medieval re-enactment will be held Saturday, September 11, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Marietta House, 5626 Bell Station Road, Glenn Dale. This free program will include a living history camp, steel demos and combat re-enactments. For information call 301-464-5291; TTY 301-699-2544.

NFAA/Arts Sponsors Teen Artist Awards

Attention young artists! Nearly $300,000 in cash awards, $3 million in scholarship opportunities and the chance to be named a 2000 U.S. Presidential Scholar in the Arts are available to talented emerging artists through the 1999-2000 ARTS (Arts Recognition and Talent Search) program.

An annual program of the National Foundation for Advancement in the Arts (NFAA), ARTS is now accepting applications in its eight categories: dance, music/jazz, music/instrumental, music/voice, photography, theater, visual arts and writing. Eligible artists must be high school seniors, or 17 or 18 years of age. ARTS is open to American citizens and legal residents, except for the music/jazz category which also seeks international applicants.

Any eligible artist applying to the program will have access to approximately $3 million in scholarship opportunities from more than 100 leading colleges, universities and conservatories that subscribe to NFAA's Scholarship List Service.

NFAA will invite a total of 125 artists to participate in "ARTS Week 2000," January 10-16 in Miami-Dade County, Florida. ARTS Week is a once-in-a-lifetime experience consisting of performances, master classes, workshops, readings, exhibits, and enrichment activities with renowned artists and arts educators. All expenses are paid by NFAA, including airfare, hotel, meals and ground transportation.

Interested students should contact their guidance counselor for an ARTS 2000 application, call 1-800-970-ARTS, or apply on-line at the ARTS website, <http://www.nfaa.org>. The final deadline is October 1. There is a processing fee. Fee waivers are available for applicants who can document a financial need.

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Lucas Scores a Hit

by Dennis Jelalian

Ready for another space blast? Grab your space suit and your light saber! "Star Wars The Phantom Menace" is playing at the Greenbelt Theater.

Actually, George Lucas builds on solid material. There's the son who must leave his mother. There's a princess in danger who must be protected. (In danger from her chancellor? From the other bad guys?) There's a great race. Think of the Ben Hur race, where the bad guys cheat.

There are our old favorites, C3PO and R2D2. There's an alien encounter with a strange race on an alien planet (a bad tempered crooked bumblebee). There's a couple of Jedi knights, foot loose, if not fancy free.

And of course there's plenty of shoot-'em-up combat. And there's the death of one of the knights in double combat with the evil henchman. This guy's bad enough both knights are needed. His advantage: a double-edged light saber. Liam Neeson is a real plus in this movie. He's believable as a Jedi knight in a way that Harrison Ford was not.

Go see this charming movie. May the Force be with you...

Discover Native American Herbs

Learn how Native Americans lived off the land by seeing a wealth of native plants and their many practical uses at this free informal, outdoor, drop-in session for all ages. The session will be held Sept. 4 - 6 from 1 - 3 p.m. at the National Herb Garden at the U.S. National Arboretum.

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- ✔ Have picture taken with Eleanor and Franklin Roosevelt in the GHI booth
- ✔ Leave message for Greenbelt in GHI's time capsule to be opened during Greenbelt's 75th anniversary in 2012
- ✔ Enjoy the festival
- ✔ Watch the parade

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